

## COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 203 Antrim Street

November 3, 2015

State Representative Triston Cole S-1389 Anderson Office Building PO Box 30014 Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Representative Cole:

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners and the Charlevoix County Sheriff ask that State land and logging trails be open to all recreation vehicles as well as being allowed to ride on the edge of the roads in Northern Michigan.

According to MCL 324.81123 the State of Michigan is to develop a comprehensive plan for the management of ORV use of certain areas, routes, and trails, revision; approval; designation of ORV trails and areas for non-conflicting recreation trail use; designated scramble area and maps of trails.

According to MCL 324.81127, Comprehensive system; consideration, the above listed comprehensive system approved and implemented under former section 16d of 1975 PA 319, all state owned land under the jurisdiction of the department shall be closed to ORV use except designated routes, designated trails and designated areas.

According to MCL 324.81126 the above sections do not apply to the Upper Peninsula of this state.

The Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners and the Charlevoix County Sheriff are requesting that legislation be implemented either amending or repealing the above sections to allow the Lower Peninsula of Michigan to have the same rights for ORV's that the Upper Peninsula enjoys.

Charlevoix County appreciates your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely Joel Earn

Joel Evans, Chairman

Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners

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